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SUBJ: SOVIET TREATMENT OF ME

1. SOVIET PRESS TREATMENT OF ME OVER WEEKEND BALANCES  
CONDEMNATION OF ISRAELI RAIDS AGAINST SOUTHERN LEBANON  
WITH POSITIVE REPORTS ON PROGRESS IN SYRIAN-ISRAELI  
DISENGAGEMENT.

2. PRAVDA (JUNE 23) CARRIES SEMI-OFFICIAL TASS STATEMENT  
(TEXT TASS ENGLISH WIRE JUNE 22) CONDEMNING "BARBARIC  
ACTIONS OF ISRAELI MILITARISM." TASS DEMANDS IMMEDIATE  
CESSATION OF ISRAELI RAIDS AND WARNS THAT ISRAEL BEARS  
FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR "PREMEDIATED AGGRAVATION OF TENSION

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IN ME" WHICH THREATENS PEACE AND SECURITY OF ALL PEOPLES  
OF THE AREA. PRAVDA INTERNATIONAL REVIEW BY ME EDITOR

DEMCHENKO (JUNE 23), REPLAYING TASS STATEMENT, SAYS ISRAELI ACTIONS RECALL THAT THE SITUATION REMAINS EXPLOSIVE AND THAT MAJOR QUESTIONS OF SETTLEMENT ARE YET TO BE DISCUSSED AT GENEVA.

3. PRAVDA (SAME DATE) REPORTS OTHER REACTION TO ISRAELI RAIDS. WASHINGTON-DATELINED ITEM QUOTES SENATOR FULBRIGHT AS SAYING ISRAELI RAIDS "RAISE QUESTION ABOUT WHETHER ISRAEL ACTUALLY WANTS PEACE." BEIRUT STORY SAYS LEBANESE PRESS POINTS OUT THAT ISRAELI RAIDS OCCURRED SHORTLY AFTER PRESIDENT LEFT ME. ACCORDING TASS LEBANESE SAY ISRAEL IS TRYING TO UNDERMINE SETTLEMENT.

4. ON MORE POSITIVE SIDE, PRAVDA INTERNATIONAL REVIEW NOTES THAT SYRIAN-ISRAELI DISENGAGEMENT IS MAKING GOOD PROGRESS. REVIEW SAYS THAT BY JUNE 26 ISRAEL WILL HAVE EVACUATED UP TO FORTY PER CENT OF SYRIAN-OCCUPIED TERRITORY. REVIEWER CONCLUDES, HOWEVER, THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO GO FURTHER AND ACHIEVE REAL ME PEACE. ALSO ON MODERATE SIDE, NEW YORK-DATELINED TASS STORY (PRAVDA JUNE 23) REPORTS CBS INTERVIEW WITH PRESIDENT SADAT. SADAT CITED AS SAYING HE FAVORS EXTENSIVE BILATERAL DISCUSSION BEFORE GENEVA CONFERENCE REOPENS, BUT REJECTS ANY POSSIBILITY OF COMPROMISE WITH ISRAEL ON BOUNDARIES. STORY REPORTS SADAT TOLD INTERVIEWER EGYPT UNDERSTANDS THAT U.S. GUARANTEES FOR ISRAELI SECURITY ARE NOT SAME THING AS WASHINGTON'S SUPPORT FOR CONTINUED OCCUPATION OF OCCUPIED TERRITORY.  
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